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FROM USDEL

E.O. 11652 GDS  
TAGS: OVIP (YOUNG, ANDREW)  
SUBJECT: PRESS COVERAGE OF OWEN-YOUNG TRIP

REF: USUN 2683 (NOTAL)

1. IN MEETING THIS MORNING BETWEEN US AND UK DELEGATIONS,  
BRITISH INFORMED US OS SCHEDULE OF DAVID OWEN (SEPTTEL) AND  
REQUESTED NUMBER OF SEATS ON OWEN'S PLANE NEEDED FOR US PARTY  
AND PRESS. WE INFORMED BRITISH THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE  
12 SEATS - FIVE FOR  
PARTY (YOUNG, MOOSE, MCHENRY, PETTERSON AND COOKS) AND SEVEN FOR  
PRESS. BASED ON CONTACTS HERE, WE THOUGHT THREE PRESS SLOTS  
SHOULD BE ALLOCATED TO ABC CREW (LOU CIOFFI AND FILM AND SOUND  
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MEN), THREE TO CBS CREW (RANDY DANIELS, FILM AND SOUND MEN), AND  
ONE VOA CORRESPONDENT. WE WOULD THEREBY ASSURE BEST COVERAGE IN  
US AND THROUGHOUT AFRICA. ABC, CBS AND VOA WOULD ALL JOIN PLANE  
IN LAGOS. USDEL HAS NOT RECEIVED INQUIRIES FROM OTHER PRESS  
REPS HERE. DEPENDING ON BRITISH RESPONSE TO OUR SEAT REQUEST,  
WE PROPOSE TO ADVISE OTHER PRESS TO TAKE COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS.  
(PRELIMINARY CHECK SHOWS NO SUCH SPACE AVAILABLE OUT OF LAGOS.)

USUN MAY DO LIKEWISE.

2. AT TIME OF DISCUSSION WE WERE UNAWARE OF BRITISH OFFER IN  
REFTEL OF ONLY FOUR SEATS FOR PRESS. UKDEL DID NOT MENTION  
ANY LIMITATION. IN FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WITH BRITISH HERE WE  
WILL ALSO POINT OUT THAT WE ARE NOT TRYING TO PUSH THEM HARD ON  
PRESS. WE ARE THEIR GUESTS ON PLANE AND APPRECIATIVE OF THEIR  
HOSPITALITY. AT THE SAME TIME, WE WOULD LIKE TO ASSURE GOOD  
COVERAGE OF TRIP IN US AND AFRICA. SUGGEST USUN AND EMBASSY  
LONDON TAKE SAME APPROACH.  
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